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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Werner Kroninger et al.

Appln. No.: 10/729,882

Filed: December 5, 2003

For: A Work Carrier And Method Of
Processing A Workpiece

Examiner: Mark A. Osele

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action of October 5, 2006 in the above-referenced application, please reconsider the rejection in view of the amendment and remarks presented herein. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 2 of this paper. The applicants' remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.